UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

JUDGE BUCHWALD

JOSEPH IOVANE,

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL

Plaintiff,

against -

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY, and STARBUCKS CORPORATION,

Defendant(s).

SIRS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that defendant STARBUCKS CORPO

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY (hereinafter "STARBUCKS");

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§1441 and based upon this Court's diversity jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. §1332, removes this action from the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York, to the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. The grounds for such removal are as follows:

1. Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE commenced an action on or about January 4, 2007 by filing a Summons and Verified Complaint in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York. The Summons and Verified Complaint subsequently were served on the New York Secretary of State on April 11, 2007 and on STARBUCKS registered agent, Corporation Service Company, on April 16, 2007. A copy of the Summons and Verified Complaint is attached hereto as Exhibit "A". On May 16, 2007, defendant STARBUCKS served its Verified Answer to Verified Complaint. A copy of the Verified Answer to Verified Complaint is attached hereto as Exhibit "B". On May 16, 2007, defendant STARBUCKS also

served, pursuant to CPLR § 3017(c), a Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief. A copy of the Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief is attached hereto as Exhibit "C". On September 21, 2007, defendant STARBUCKS served a Request for Judicial Intervention seeking a preliminary conference in this matter. A copy of STARBUCKS Request for Judicial Intervention is attached hereto as Exhibit "D". On November 8, 2007, a preliminary conference was held in this case. A copy of the Preliminary Conference Order is attached hereto as Exhibit "E". On December 12, 2007, defendant STARBUCKS served a Motion to Compel plaintiff to respond to defendant STARBUCKS Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief. A copy of defendant STARBUCKS Motion to Compel is attached hereto as Exhibit "F". On December 19, 2007; plaintiff served his Response to STARBUCKS Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief in which plaintiff alleges damages in the amount of \$1,000,000.00. A copy of plaintiff's Response to Supplemental Demand for Relief is attached hereto as Exhibit "G".

- 2. Upon information and belief, these are the only pleadings in the action filed in New York County Supreme Court.
- 3. Plaintiff is a citizen and resident of the State of New York and resides in Seaford, New York, County of Nassau. See the Summons attached hereto as Exhibit "A".
- 4. Defendant STARBUCKS is a foreign corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Washington and has its principal place of business in Seattle, Washington.
- 5. The amount in controversy, as alleged in plaintiff's response to defendant STARBUCKS Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief served on December 19, 2007, exceeds \$75,000, exclusive of interest and costs. See plaintiff's response to defendant STARBUCKS Supplemental Demand for Relief, attached hereto as Exhibit "G".

- This removal is timely pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b). 6.
- 7. Jurisdiction exists in this Court by reason of diversity of citizenship, 28 U.S.C. §

1332.

8. Venue in this Court is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1391 (a)(1) and (c).

Dated: New York, New York January 2, 2008

Respectfully yours,

WILSON ELSER MOSKOWITZ EDELMAN & DICKER LLP

George N. Tompkins, III (GT-9127

150 East 42nd Street

New York, New York 10017

(212) 490-3000, Ext. 2562

Attorneys for Defendant

STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY

Kenneth S. Fink, Esq. To: CHERIFF & FINK, P.C. 2 Rector Street - Suite 2104 New York, New York 10006-1893 Attorneys for Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE

EXHIBIT "A"

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF NEW YORK
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JOSEPH IOVANE,

Plaintiff,

-against-

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY, and STARBUCKS CORPORATION,

Defendants.

To the above named Defendants

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Plaintiff designates NEW YORK County as the place of trial

The basis of the venue is Defendants' Place of Business

SUMMONS

Plaintiff resides at 3678 Ocean Avenue Seaford, NY 11783 COUNTY OF NASSAU

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of a your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the plaintiffs: attorney(s) within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated:

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New York, New York December 29, 2006

MERIFF & FINK, P.C.

By: Kenneth S. Firsk Attorneys for Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE

2 Rector Street – Suite 2104 New York, New York 10006-1893 (212) 285-4100

Defendants' addresses:
STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY
2401 UTAH AVE SOUTH
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, 98134
VIA SECRETARY OF STATE

STARBUCKS CORPORATION 2401 UTAH AVE SOUTH SEATTLE WASHINGTON, 98134 VIA SECRETARY OF STATE NEW YORK COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

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SUPREME COURT OF THE S'COUNTY OF NEW YORK		
JOSEPH IOVANE,	Λ	Index No.: 100 154/07
- against -	Plaintiff,	VERIFIED COMPLAINT
STARBUCKS COFFEE COMP STARBUCKS CORPORATION	•	
	Defendants.	

Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE, by his attorneys, Cheriff & Fink, P.C., for his Verified Complaint alleges

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as follows:

1. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, Defendant STARBUCKS COFFEE

COMPANY was and still is a Foreign Business Corporation.

- 2. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, Defendant STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY was and still is doing business in the State of New York.
- 3. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, Defendant STARBUCKS CORPORATION was and still is a Foreign Business Corporation.
- 4. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, Defendant STARBUCKS CORPORATION was and still is doing business in the State of New York.
- 5. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, Defendant STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY owned and operated and still owns and operates a Starbucks Coffee Store located at 462 7th Avenue, New York, New York, known as Starbucks #7403 (the "Store").
- 6. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, Defendant'S OFFICE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE CORPORATION owned and operated and still owns and operates the Store.
- 7. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, Defendants, their employees or agents NOT COMPARED managed, maintained and/or operated and still manage, maintain and/or operate the Store.

neglected to ameliorate the condition after actual notice and/or constructive notice.

10. Upon information and belief, Defendants, their agents, and/or employees had actual knowledge and notice of the defective, dangerous, and/or trap-like condition since this condition had existed for a sufficient length of time prior to the accident, that Defendants, their agents, and/or employees, in the exercise of reasonable care, and upon proper inspection, could have and should have had such notice and knowledge.

As a result of the accident, Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE suffered serious personal injuries causing him to become and remain sick, sore, lame, and disabled; confining him to home and bed; compelling him to obtain hospital and medical treatment for the injuries and disabilities; incapacitating him from attending his employment and from his usual duties, and thereby depriving him of the emoluments derived therefrom, preventing him from enjoying the normal fruits of his activities; and resulting in substantial monetary expenses, and loss and injuries, some of which may be permanent in nature.

12. By reason of the foregoing, Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE has been damaged in an amount in excess of the jurisdictional limits of all lower courts and in an amount to be determined at trial.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE demands judgment against Defendants, STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY, and STARBUCKS CORPORATION, jointly and severally, in an amount in excess of the jurisdictional limits of all lower courts and in an amount to be determined at trial together with the costs and disbursements of this action.

Dated:

New York, New York December 29, 2006

CHERIFF & FINK, P.C.

By. Kenneth S. Fink

Attorneys for Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE

2 Rector Street — Suite NOW YORK New York, New CONNING OFFICE

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ATTORNEY'S

VERIFICATION

Kenneth S. Fink, an attorney admitted to practice in law in the Courts of the State of New York affirms under penalties of perjury as follows:

I am associated with Cheriff & Fink, P.C, attorneys for Plaintiff in the within action and I am fully familiar with the facts and circumstances herein.

I have read the foregoing Verified Complaint and know the contents to be true to my own knowledge ' 7 ". USLOW except as to matters therein alleged on information and belief, and as to those matters I believe them to be true. The structure of the property of the state o

The sources of my information are my conversations with Plaintiff and the records and information contained in the files in our office.

The reason this verification is made by me and not by Plaintiff is that Plaintiff does not reside within the County of New York which is the County where I maintain my office.

Dated:

New York, New York December 29, 2006

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Kenneth S. Fink

NEW YORK COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

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of the clerk of the within named court on , 20_____

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Attorneys for:

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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State of New York - Department of State Division of Corporations

Party Served: STARBUCKS CORPORATION

Plaintiff/Petitioner: IOVANE, JOSEPH

> UNITED STATES CORPORATION COMPANY 80 STATE ST ALBANY, NY 12207

the Secretary of CORPORATION LAW. the address Enclosed herewith is a legal document which was served upon State on 04/11/2007 pursuant to SECTION 306 OF THE BUSINESS This copy is being transmitted pursuant to such statute to provided for such purpose. Dear Sir/Madam:

Very truly yours, Division of Corporations



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Primary Contact:

Emi McElroy

Starbucks Corporation Legal Department

2401 Utah Ave. South Floor 8TH MS:S-LA1 Seattle, WA 98134

Entity:

Starbucks Corporation

Entity ID Number 0178010

Entity Served:

Starbucks Corporation

Title of Action:

Joseph lováne vs. Starbucks Coffee Company

Document(s) Type:

Summons/Complaint

Nature of Action:

Personal Injury,

Court:

New York County, Supreme Court, New York

Case Number:

100154/07

Jurisdiction Served:

New York

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Answer or Appearance Due:

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Plaintiff's Attorney:

Kenneth S. Fink 212-285-4100

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK	ORK	
JOSEPH IOVANE,	X	
	:	Index No.: 100154/07
Plaintiff,		
	:	VERIFIED ANSWER
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	:	
STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY, and		
STARBUCKS CORPORATION,	:	WEW YORK
D 0 1		NEW YORK COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE
Defendants.		Michael and a

Defendant STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANATION (hereinafter "STARBUCKS"), by and through its attorneys, Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP, for its Verified Answer to the Verified Complaint, alleges upon information and belief, as follows:

- 1. Denies the allegations in Paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of the Verified Complaint, except admits that STARBUCKS is a foreign corporation existing under the laws of the State of Washington, that it is authorized to and does conduct business in the State of New York and that it operates a retail store at the address identified in Paragraph 5 of the Verified Complaint.
- 2. Denies the allegations in Paragraphs 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of the Verified Complaint.

FIRST DEFENSE

3. The Verified Complaint fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

SECOND DEFENSE

4. Whatever injury or damage may have been sustained by plaintiff was caused or contributed to by plaintiff's own negligence or culpable conduct and defendant STARBUCKS is, therefore, not liable to plaintiff or, in the alternative, that its liability to plaintiff is partial only and should be reduced in accordance with applicable law.

THIRD DEFENSE

5. Defendant STARBUCKS specifically denies that any negligence on its part contributed to or was a proximate cause of any injuries or damages sustained by the plaintiff, but, in the event it is found that defendant STARBUCKS is negligent in any manner or to any degree, defendant STARBUCKS alleges upon information and belief that other parties hereto and persons or entities not named in this action may be negligent to a certain degree for the injuries or damages sustained by plaintiff and therefore contend that, in the event there is found to be fault on the part of defendant STARBUCKS, which in any manner or degree contributed to the injuries of plaintiff, a finding should be made apportioning and fixing the comparative fault of any or all parties or persons whether named to this action or otherwise.

FOURTH DEFENSE

6. Plaintiff's damages, if any, were caused and brought about by an intervening and superseding cause and were not caused by defendant STARBUCKS or by any person for whom defendant STARBUCKS is responsible.

FIFTH DEFENSE

7. The damages allegedly sustained by plaintiff were not proximately caused by any negligence or culpable conduct on the part of defendant STARBUCKS.

SIXTH DEFENSE

8. Plaintiff assumed the risk of his alleged injuries and on that account defendant STARBUCKS is not liable to plaintiff.

SEVENTH DEFENSE

9. As to those damages claimed by plaintiff that have been or will be replaced or indemnified in whole or in part from a collateral source, STARBUCKS claims the benefit of Civil Procedure Law and Rule 4545(c).

EIGHTH DEFENSE

10. This action is time barred pursuant to the applicable Statute of Limitations.

WHEREFORE, defendant STARBUCKS demands judgment dismissing the Verified Complaint together with its costs and disbursements, or, in the alternative, that its liability be limited as prayed upon, together with costs, disbursements and fees incurred.

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Dated: New York, New York May 16, 2007

Yours, etc.,

WILSON ELSER MOSKOWITZ EDELMAN & DICKER LLP

By: George N. Tompkins, III

150 East 42nd Street

New York, New York 10017 (212) 490-3000, Ext. 2562

Attorneys for Defendant

STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY

To: Kenneth S. Fink, Esq.

CHERIFF & FINK, P.C. 2 Rector Street – Suite 2104 New York, New York 10006

(212) 285-4100

Attorneys for Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE

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ATTORNEY'S VERIFICATION

STATE OF NEW YORK) ss.:
COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

George N. Tompkins, III, an attorney duly admitted to practice law before the Courts of the State of New York, affirms the following to be true under the penalties of perjury:

I am a Partner with the firm of Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP, attorneys for defendant STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY in the within action; I have read the foregoing Verified Answer to the Verified Complaint and know the contents thereof; that the same is true to my own knowledge except as to those matters therein stated to be alleged upon information and belief, and as to those matters, affirmant believes them to be true. The reason this Verification is made by affirmant and not by defendant is that defendant is a foreign corporation with its principal place of business outside the State of New York.

The grounds for affirmant's belief as to all matters not stated upon affirmant's knowledge are as follows: conversations with the defendant and review of various documents related to this matter.

George N. Tompkins, III

Sworn to before me this 16th day of May, 2007

Notary Public

LESLEY M. WONG Notary Public, State of New York No. 02W06092482 Qualified in Qüeens County Commission Expires May 19, 2007

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STATE OF NEW YORK)
...) ss.:
COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

Robin Doyle, being duly sworn, deposes and says, deponent is not a party to this action, is over eighteen (18) years of age and resides in Floral Park, New York. That on the 16th day of May 2007, deponent served the within Verified Answer to the Verified Complaint upon:

Kenneth S. Fink, Esq. CHERIFF & FINK, P.C. 2 Rector Street – Suite 2104 New York, New York 10006

by depositing a true copy of said enclosed in a postage paid properly addressed wrapper in an official depository under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Post Office

Department within the State of New York.

Robin Doyle

Swom to before me this 16th day of May, 2007

LESLEY M, WONG Notary Public, State of New York

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EXHIBIT "C"

SUPREME COURT	OF THE STATE	OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF NEW	YORK	

JOSEPH IOVANE,

Index No.: 100154/07

Plaintiff,

REQUEST FOR

against -

SUPPLEMENTAL DEMAND

FOR RELIEF

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY, and

STARBUCKS CORPORATION,

total damages to which he deems himself entitled.

Defendants.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to CPLR § 3017(c), defendant STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY, by and through its attorneys, Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP, hereby requests that, within fifteen (15) days hereof, the plaintiff, JOSEPH IOVANE, serve a supplemental demand for relief setting forth the

Dated: New York, New York May 16, 2007

Yours, etc.,

WILSON ELSER MOSKOWITZ EDELMAN & DICKER LLP

By:

George N Tompkins, III

150 East 42nd Street

New York, New York 10017

(212) 490-3000, Ext. 2562

Attorneys for Defendant

STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY

To: Kenneth S. Fink, Esq.
CHERIFF & FINK, P.C.
2 Rector Street – Suite 2104
New York, New York 10006
(212) 285-4100
Attorneys for Plaintiff
JOSEPH IOVANE

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.
COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

Robin Doyle, being duly sworn, deposes and says, deponent is not a party to this action, is over eighteen (18) years of age and resides in Floral Park, New York. That on the 16th day of May 2007, deponent served the within Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief upon:

Kenneth S. Fink, Esq. CHERIFF & FINK, P.C. 2 Rector Street – Suite 2104 New York, New York 10006

by depositing a true copy of said enclosed in a postage paid properly addressed wrapper in an official depository under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Post Office

Department within the State of New York.

Robin Doyle

Sworn to before me this 16th day of May, 2007

Notary Public

LESLEY M. WONG Notary Public, State of New York No. 02W06092482 Qualified in Queens County Commission Expires May 19, 2007 Case 1:08-cv-00016-NRB Document 1-2 Filed 01/02/2008 Page 21 of 29

EXHIBIT "D"

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[] Guardianship (MHL Art. 81)

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INSURANCE CARRIERS:

RELATED CASES: (IF NONE, write "NONE" below) Title Index # None

Court

Nature of Relationship

I AFFIRM UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT, TO MY KNOWLEDGE, OTHER THAN AS NOTED ABOVE, THERE ARE AND HAVE BEEN NO RELATED ACTIONS OR PROCEEDINGS, NOR HAS A REQUEST FOR JUDICIAL INTERVENTION PREVIOUSLY BEEN FILED IN THIS ACTION OR PROCEEDING.

Dated: September 1, 2007

(SIGNATURE)

George N. Tompkins, III

(PRINT OR TYPE NAME)

Defendant

ATTORNEY FOR STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK

JOSEPH IOVANE.

Index No.: 100154/07

Plaintiff,

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against -

REQUEST FOR PRELIMINARY

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY, and

CONFERENCE

STARBUCKS CORPORATION,

RECEIVED

Defendants.

SEP 24 2007

The undersigned requests a Preliminary Conference Collain Companies of this action seeking money damages for personal injuries he allegedly sustained when he was burned by a coffee carafe/dispenser at a STARBUCKS store. Plaintiff's Verified Complaint demands judgment against the defendants in an amount in excess of the jurisdictional limits of all lower courts and in an amount to be determined at trial together with the costs and disbursements of this action.

The names, addresses and telephone numbers of all attorneys appearing in the action are as follows:

Plaintiff's Attorney:

Kenneth S. Fink, Esq.

CHERIFF & FINK, P.C. 2 Rector Street – Suite 2104 New York, New York 10006

(212) 285-4100

Defendant's Attorney:

George N. Tompkins, III, Esq.

WILSON ELSER MOSKOWITZ EDELMAN & DICKER LLP

150 East 42nd Street

New York, New York 10017

(212) 490-3000

Attorneys for Defendant

STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY

Annexed hereto is an Affirmation of Good Faith pursuant to 22 NYCRR 202.12(a).

Dated: New York, New York September <u>11</u>, 2007

Yours, etc.,

WILSON ELSER MOSKOWITZ **EDELMAN & DICKER LLP**

Filed 01/02/2008

George N. Tompkins, III

150 East 42nd Street

New York, New York 10005

(212) 490-3000

Attorney for Defendant

STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY

To: Kenneth S. Fink, Esq. CHERIFF & FINK, P.C. 2 Rector Street - Suite 2104 New York, New York 10006 Attorney for Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF COUNTY OF NEW YORK			
JOSEPH IOVANE, against -	Plaintiff,	: :	Index No.: 100154/07 AFFIRMATION OF GOOD FAITH
STARBUCKS COFEE COMPANY, and STARBUCKS CORPORATION,		:	
	Defendant.	: X	

GEORGE N. TOMPKINS, III, an attorney admitted to practice law in the State of New York, affirms the truth of the following under penalty and perjury:

I am a Partner with the firm of Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP, attorneys for defendant STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY (hereinafter "STARBUCKS") in this litigation. I submit this Affirmation in support of defendant's Request for a Preliminary Conference. I am fully familiar with all of the prior pleadings heretofore had herein.

- Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE filed a Summons and Verified Complaint on or about 1. January 4, 2007. Defendant STARBUCKS served its Verified Answer on May 16, 2007.
- 2. On May 16, 2007, defendant STARBUCKS served plaintiff with a Notice for Discovery and Inspection, Demand for a Verified Bill of Particulars, Demand for Expert Witness Information, Demand for Information and Authorizations, Demand for Names and Addresses of Witnesses and Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief.

On August 16, 2007, defendant STARBUCKS sent a letter to counsel for plaintiff requesting responses to defendant's discovery demands and Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief. On August 20, 2007, plaintiff's office responded by letter advising that Kenneth S. Fink, the attorney responsible for the matter, was on vacation and would not be returning to the office until after Labor Day. Said letter further advised that Mr. Fink would address STARBUCKS request upon his return from vacation in September. On September 14, 2007, an Associate from my office telephoned plaintiff's office and left a message on Kenneth Fink's voice mail, again requesting responses to defendant's various discovery demands and Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief. To date, plaintiff has not provided responses to same. In addition, our telephone call has gone unanswered.

WHEREFORE, defendant STARBUCKS respectfully requests that this Court set a preliminary conference at a time and date convenient to the Court, together with such other relief as this Court deems proper in the circumstances.

Dated: New York, New York September , 2007

Yours, etc.,

WILSON ELSER MOSKOWITZ **EDELMAN & DICKER LLP**

George N. Tompkins, III

150 East 42nd Street

New York, New York 10017

(212) 490-3000, Ext. 2562

Attorneys for Defendant

STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY

Case 1:08-cv-00016-INRB

Kenneth S. Fink, Esq. To: CHERIFF & FINK, P.C. 2 Rector Street – Suite 2104 New York, New York 10006 Attorney for Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE (212) 285-4100

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY MAIL

STATE OF NEW YORK)	
)	SS.
COUNTY OF NEW YORK)	

ANZIE L. ANDREWS, being duly sworn, deposes and says: that deponent is not a party to this action, is over 18 years of age and resides in Queens County;

That on the 21st day of September, 2007, deponent served the within document entitled REQUEST FOR PRELIMINARY CONFERENCE, AFFIRMATION OF GOOD FAITH AND RJI upon:

Kenneth S. Fink, Esq. CHERIFF & FINK, P.C. Attorney for Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE 2 Rector Street, Suite 2104 New York, New York 10006

at the address(es) designated by said attorney(s) for that purpose by depositing a true copy of same enclosed in a postpaid, properly addressed wrapper, in an official depository under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Post Office within the State of New York.

ZIE L. ANDRÉWS

Sworn to before me this 2/6/day of September, 2007

Notary Public

Adrienne N. Kitchen Notary Public, State of New York No 02Kl6129420

Qualified in New York County Commission Expires June 20,2009 EXHIBIT "E"

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF NEW YORK

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•	PRELIMINARY CONFERENCE
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STAR EUCLS CULTURATION Defendant(s).	
	(202.8, 202.12 and 202.19 of the Uniform Rules)
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that upon the accompanying Affirmation of George N. Tompkins, III in Support of the Motion to Compel, the exhibits attached thereto, the Affirmation of Good Faith of George N. Tompkins, III, the Memorandum of Law in Support of the Motion to Compel and the proceedings heretofore had herein, the undersigned will move the Supreme Court of the City of New York at 60 Centre Street, New York, New York 10007, Room 130, on January 2, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, for an Order, pursuant to Rule 3017 (c) of the Civil Practice Law and Rules of the State of New York compelling Plaintiff's response to STARBUCKS Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief, and for such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

Dated: New York, New York December 12, 2007

Yours, etc.,

WILSON ELSER MOSKOWITZ EDELMAN & DICKER LLP

George N. Tompkins, III

150 East 42nd Street

New York, New York 10017

(212) 490-3000, Ext. 2562

Attorneys for Defendant STARBUCKS CORPORATION

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TO: Kenneth Fink, Esq.
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2 Rector Street – Suite 2104
New York, New York 10006
Attorneys for Plaintiff
JOSEPH IOVANE

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COUNTY OF NEW YORK)	

MARGARET ELLIOTT, being duly sworn, deposes and says: that deponent is not a party to this action, is over 18 years of age and resides in Nassau County; .

That on the 12th day of December, 2007, deponent served the within document entitled **NOTICE OF MOTION** upon:

By FedEx Overnight Mail

Kenneth S. Fink, Esq. CHERIFF & FINK, P.C. Attorney for Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE 2 Rector Street, Suite 2104 New York, New York 10006

at the address(es) designated by said attorney(s) for that purpose by depositing a true copy of same enclosed in a FedEx Express envelope.

Sworn to before me this 12 day of December, 2007

Adrienne N. Kitchen Notary Public, State of New York No 02KI6129420 **Qualified in New York County Commission Expires June 20,2009** - Index No. 100154/07

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK

JOSEPH IOVANE,

Plaintiff,

-against-

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY and STARBUCKS CORPORATION,

Defendant.

NOTICE OF MOTION

WILSON, ELSER, MOSKOWITZ, EDELMAN & DICKER LLP Attorneys for Defendant, STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY

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AFFIRMATION IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO COMPEL

George N. Tompkins, III, an attorney admitted to practice in the State of New York, affirms the following under the penalty of perjury:

- 1. I am a Partner with the Firm of WILSON, ELSER, MOSKOWITZ, EDELMAN & DICKER LLP, attorneys for defendant STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY (hereinafter "STARBUCKS"). As such, I am fully familiar with all prior pleadings and proceedings in this action.
- 2. I submit this Affirmation in support of STARBUCKS Motion, pursuant to CPLR § 3017(c), for an Order compelling plaintiff Joseph Iovane to serve a response to STARBUCKS Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief setting forth the total damages to which he deems himself entitled.
- 3. Plaintiff filed a Summons and Verified Complaint on or about January 4, 2007 seeking money damages for personal injuries that he allegedly sustained at a STARBUCKS store in Manhattan. Defendant served its Verified Answer on May 16, 2007. A copy of the Verified Complaint is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and a copy of the Verified Answer is attached hereto as Exhibit "B."

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- On November 8, 2007, Judge Rolando Acosta directed that defendant's discovery 5. requests were to be responded to within 30 days. A copy of Judge Acosta's "so ordered" Preliminary Conference Order is attached hereto as Exhibit "D".
- 6. On November 19, 2007, my office spoke to plaintiff's counsel; during which conversation plaintiff's counsel confirmed that he had not yet responded to STARBUCKS Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief. Plaintiff's counsel advised that plaintiff's response would be forthcoming within the next 1-1/2 weeks.
- 7. On December 3, 2007, a letter was faxed to plaintiff's counsel confirming the conversation of November 19, 2007 and requesting a response to STARBUCKS Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief. We received no response. A copy of the December 3, 2007 letter is attached hereto as Exhibit "E".
- 8. To date, however, plaintiff has failed to respond to STARBUCKS Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief, which has necessitated this motion.
 - 9. No previous application for the relief prayed for herein has been made.

WHEREFORE, STARBUCKS respectfully requests that the Court enter an Order compelling plaintiff to serve his Response to STARBUCKS Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief and for any other relief that the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: New York, New York December 12, 2007

George N. Tompkins, III

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SUPREME COURT OF THE ST COUNTY OF NEW YORK	
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VERIFIED COMPLAINT

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY, and STARBUCKS CORPORATION.

Defendants,

Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE, by his attorneys, Cheriff & Fink, P.C., for his Verified Complaint alleges as follows:

- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, Defendant STARBUCKS COFFEE
 COMPANY was and still is a Foreign Business Corporation.
- 2. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, Defendant STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY was and still is doing business in the State of New York.
- 3. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, Defendant STARBUCKS CORPORATION was and still is a Foreign Business Corporation.
- 4. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, Defendant STARBUCKS CORPORATION was and still is doing business in the State of New York.
- 5. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, Defendant STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY owned and operated and still owns and operates a Starbucks Coffee Store located at 462 7th Avenue, New York, New York, known as Starbucks #7403 (the "Store").
- 6. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, INTERNACIAN STARBUCKS COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE CORPORATION owned and operated and still owns and operates the Store.
- 7. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, Defendants, their employees or agents NOT COMPARED managed, maintained and/or operated and still manage, maintain and/or operate the Store OPY FILE

8. On January 8, 2004, Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE was lawfully in the Store when through the negligence and carelessness of Defendants, their agents and/or employees, Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE was caused to be severely burned by an improperly maintained coffee carafe/dispenser at the store and sustained serious personal injuries.

Upon information and belief, Defendants, their agents and/or employees, were negligent 9. in that Defendants caused, permitted and/or allowed the Store and more particularly the coffee carafe/dispenser to become and remain in a dangerous, defective and trap-like condition; in that Defendants failed and neglected to properly maintain the Store and more particularly the coffee carafe/dispenser whereon the trap-like condition existed; in that Defendants neglected a defective, dangerous and trap-like condition so that the area whereon Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE was dispensing coffee contained a problem which was likely to cause and did cause injury to him; in that Defendants failed to warn or apprise Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE of the danger to his person as a result of the dangerous, defective, and trap-like condition; in that Defendant's failed to take any remedial action to correct the condition or to prevent the happening of the accident including but not limited to testing the defective carafe/dispenser, in that Defendants failed to have personnel assist in the serving of the hot coffee; in that Defendants violated those applicable statutes, rules, regulations and codes of the in force and in effect at the time of the accident, in failing to furnish warning to the general public, and especially persons with disabilities including Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE, using the carafe/dispenser of the dangerous, defective and trap-like condition during which the general public was invited and did use same; in failing and neglecting to provide for the safety of Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE in particular, and members of the general public, using the carafe/dispenser; in failing to have competent personnel to inspect and maintain the carafe/dispenser, in failing to instruct such personnel properly to inspect and maintain the Store and more particularly the coffee carafe/dispenser; in failing properly to inspect and maintain the Store and more particularly the coffee carafe/dispenser; in failing to properly supervise such personnel; and in having notice of a dangerous condition by reason of the actions of its agents, and/or employees who actually created the condition and/or failed and

neglected to ameliorate the condition after actual notice and/or constructive notice.

10. Upon information and belief, Defendants, their agents, and/or employees had actual knowledge and notice of the defective, dangerous, and/or trap-like condition since this condition had existed for a sufficient length of time prior to the accident, that Defendants, their agents, and/or employees, in the exercise of reasonable care, and upon proper inspection, could have and should have had such notice and knowledge.

As a result of the accident, Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE suffered serious personal injuries causing him to become and remain sick, sore, lame, and disabled; confining him to home and bed; compelling him to obtain hospital and medical treatment for the injuries and disabilities; incapacitating him from attending his employment and from his usual duties, and thereby depriving him of the emoluments derived therefrom; preventing him from enjoying the normal fruits of his activities; and resulting in substantial monetary expenses, loss and injuries, some of which may be permanent in nature.

12. By reason of the foregoing, Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE has been damaged in an amount in excess of the jurisdictional limits of all lower courts and in an amount to be determined at trial.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE demands judgment against Defendants, STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY, and STARBUCKS CORPORATION, jointly and severally, in an amount in excess of the jurisdictional limits of all lower courts and in an amount to be determined at trial together with the costs and disbursements of this action.

Dated:

New York, New York

December 29, 2006

By: Kenneth S. Fink Attorneys for Plaintiff

JOSEPH IOVANE

2 Rector Street - Suite NEW YORK

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ATTORNEY'S

VERIFICATION

Kenneth S. Fink, an attorney admitted to practice in law in the Courts of the State of New York affirms under penalties of perjury as follows:

I am associated with Cheriff & Fink, P.C., attorneys for Plaintiff in the within action and I am fully familiar with the facts and circumstances herein.

I have read the foregoing Verified Complaint and know the contents to be true to my own knowledge except as to matters therein alleged on information and belief, and as to those matters I believe them to be true.

The sources of my information are my conversations with Plaintiff and the records and information contained in the files in our office.

The reason this verification is made by me and not by Plaintiff is that Plaintiff does not reside within the County of New York which is the County where I maintain my office.

Dated:

New York, New York December 29, 2006

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK

JOSEPH IOVANE,

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Plaintiff.

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TO VERIFIED COMPLAINT

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY, and STARBUCKS CORPORATION,

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

Defendants.

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Defendant STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANATION (hereinafter "STARBUCKS"), by and through its attorneys, Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP, for its Verified Answer to the Verified Complaint, alleges upon information and belief, as follows:

- 1. Denies the allegations in Paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of the Verified Complaint, except admits that STARBUCKS is a foreign corporation existing under the laws of the State of Washington, that it is authorized to and does conduct business in the State of New York and that it operates a retail store at the address identified in Paragraph 5 of the Verified Complaint.
- 2. Denies the allegations in Paragraphs 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of the Verified Complaint.

FIRST DEFENSE

3. The Verified Complaint fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

SECOND DEFENSE

4. Whatever injury or damage may have been sustained by plaintiff was caused or contributed to by plaintiff's own negligence or culpable conduct and defendant STARBUCKS is, therefore, not liable to plaintiff or, in the alternative, that its liability to plaintiff is partial only and should be reduced in accordance with applicable law.

THIRD DEFENSE

5. Defendant STARBUCKS specifically denies that any negligence on its part contributed to or was a proximate cause of any injuries or damages sustained by the plaintiff, but, in the event it is found that defendant STARBUCKS is negligent in any manner or to any degree, defendant STARBUCKS alleges upon information and belief that other parties hereto and persons or entities not named in this action may be negligent to a certain degree for the injuries or damages sustained by plaintiff and therefore contend that, in the event there is found to be fault on the part of defendant STARBUCKS, which in any manner or degree contributed to the injuries of plaintiff, a finding should be made apportioning and fixing the comparative fault of any or all parties or persons whether named to this action or otherwise.

FOURTH DEFENSE

6. Plaintiff's damages, if any, were caused and brought about by an intervening and superseding cause and were not caused by defendant STARBUCKS or by any person for whom defendant STARBUCKS is responsible.

FIFTH DEFENSE

7. The damages allegedly sustained by plaintiff were not proximately caused by any negligence or culpable conduct on the part of defendant STARBUCKS.

SIXTH DEFENSE

8. Plaintiff assumed the risk of his alleged injuries and on that account defendant STARBUCKS is not liable to plaintiff.

SEVENTH DEFENSE

9. As to those damages claimed by plaintiff that have been or will be replaced or indemnified in whole or in part from a collateral source, STARBUCKS claims the benefit of Civil Procedure Law and Rule 4545(c).

EIGHTH DEFENSE

10. This action is time barred pursuant to the applicable Statute of Limitations.

WHEREFORE, defendant STARBUCKS demands judgment dismissing the Verified Complaint together with its costs and disbursements, or, in the alternative, that its liability be limited as prayed upon, together with costs, disbursements and fees incurred.

Dated: New York, New York May 16, 2007

Yours, etc.,

WILSON ELSER MOSKOWITZ EDELMAN & DICKER LLP

George N. Tompkins, III

150 East 42nd Street

New York, New York 10017

(212) 490-3000, Ext. 2562 Attorneys for Defendant

STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY

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ATTORNEY'S VERIFICATION

STATE OF NEW YORK)

COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

George N. Tompkins, III, an attorney duly admitted to practice law before the Courts of the State of New York, affirms the following to be true under the penalties of perjury:

I am a Partner with the firm of Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP, attorneys for defendant STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY in the within action; I have read the foregoing Verified Answer to the Verified Complaint and know the contents thereof; that the same is true to my own knowledge except as to those matters therein stated to be alleged upon information and belief, and as to those matters, affirmant believes them to be true. The reason this Verification is made by affirmant and not by defendant is that defendant is a foreign corporation with its principal place of business outside the State of New York.

The grounds for affirmant's belief as to all matters not stated upon affirmant's knowledge are as follows: conversations with the defendant and review of various documents related to this matter.

George N. Tompkins, III

Sworn to before me this 16th day of May, 2007

Notary Public

LESLEY M. WONG
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 02W06092482
Qualified in Queens County
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Robin Doyle, being duly swom, deposes and says, deponent is not a party to this action, is over eighteen (18) years of age and resides in Floral Park, New York. That on the 16th day of May 2007, deponent served the within Verified Answer to the Verified Complaint upon:

Kenneth S. Fink, Esq. CHERIFF & FINK, P.C. 2 Rector Street – Suite 2104 New York, New York 10006

by depositing a true copy of said enclosed in a postage paid properly addressed wrapper in an official depository under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Post Office

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JOSEPH IOVANE,

Index No.: 100154/07

Plaintiff,

REQUEST FOR

against -

SUPPLEMENTAL DEMAND

FOR RELIEF

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY, and STARBUCKS CORPORATION.

Defendants.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to CPLR § 3017(c), defendant STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY, by and through its attorneys, Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP, hereby requests that, within fifteen (15) days hereof, the plaintiff, JOSEPH IOVANE, serve a supplemental demand for relief setting forth the total damages to which he deems himself entitled.

Dated: New York, New York May 16, 2007

Yours, etc.,

EDELMAN & DICKER LLP...

WILSON ELSER MOSKOWTI

By:

George N. Tompkins, III

150 East 42nd Street

New York, New York 10017

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VIA FACSIMILE

Kenneth Fink, Esq. Cheriff & Fink, P.C. 2 Rector Street – Suite 2104 New York, New York 10006

Re:

Joseph Iovane v. Starbucks Coffee Company

SSN: 101-54-5459 DOI: January 8, 2004

Our File No. : 09194.00060

Dear Mr. Fink:

As discussed on November 19, 2007, this will confirm that plaintiff did not respond to Starbucks Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief in its response to Starbucks Combined Demands. This will also confirm that you advised me during our November 19, 2007 telephone conversation that plaintiff's Response to Starbucks Request for Supplemental Relief would be forthcoming within the next 1-1/2 weeks. We have not yet received this response and we would appreciate a responsive pleading to this demand as soon as possible.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

WILSON, ELSER, MOSKOWITZ, EDELMAN & DICKER LLP

Robin Doyle, Legal Assistant

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STATE OF NEW YORK SS.: COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

MARGARET ELLIOTT, being duly sworn, deposes and says: that deponent is not a party to this action, is over 18 years of age and resides in Nassau County;

That on the 12th day of December, 2007, deponent served the within document entitled AFFIRMATION IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO COMPEL upon:

By FedEx Overnight Mail

Kenneth S. Fink, Esq. CHERIFF & FINK, P.C. Attorney for Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE 2 Rector Street, Suite 2104 New York, New York 10006

at the address(es) designated by said attorney(s) for that purpose by depositing a true copy of same enclosed in a FedEx Express envelope.

Sworn to before me this

day of December, 2007

Adrienne N. Kitchen Notary Public, State of New York No 02KI6129420 **Qualified in New York County** Commission Expires June 20,2009 SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK

JOSEPH IOVANE,

Plaintiff,

-against-

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY and STARBUCKS CORPORATION,

Defendant.

AFFIRMATION IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO COMPEL

WILSON, ELSER, MOSKOWITZ, EDELMAN & DICKER LLP Attorneys for Defendant, STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY

Office & Post Office Address, Telephone 150 EAST 42ND STREET NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10017-5639 (212) 490-3000 SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK

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Plaintiff,

- against -

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY and STARBUCKS CORPORATION,

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AFFIRMATION OF GOOD FAITH

George N. Tompkins, III, an attorney admitted to practice in the State of New York, affirms the following under the penalty of perjury:

- 1. I am a Partner with the Firm of WILSON, ELSER, MOSKOWITZ, EDELMAN & DICKER LLP, attorneys for defendant STARBUCKS CÓRPORATION d/b/a STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY (hereinafter "STARBUCKS"). As such, I am fully familiar with all prior pleadings and proceedings in this action.
- 2. I submit this Affirmation of Good Faith in support of Defendant's Motion, pursuant to CPLR § 3017(c), for an Order compelling plaintiff Joseph Iovane to serve a response to STARBUCKS Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief setting forth the total damages to which he deems himself entitled.
- On May 16, 2007, STARBUCKS served on plaintiff a Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief pursuant to CPLR § 3017(c). In accordance with CPLR § 3017(c), plaintiff's response was due on or before May 31, 2007. Plaintiff has never responded to the Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief and has ignored our requests that he comply with CPLR § 3017(c).

On November 8, 2007, Judge Rolando Acosta directed that defendant's discovery 4. requests were to be responded to within 30 days.

5. On November 19, 2007, my office spoke to plaintiff's counsel; during which conversation plaintiff's counsel confirmed that he had not yet responded to STARBUCKS Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief. Plaintiff's counsel advised that plaintiff's response would be forthcoming within the next 1-1/2 weeks.

On December 3, 2007, a letter was faxed to plaintiff's counsel confirming the 6. conversation of November 19, 2007 and requesting a response to STARBUCKS Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief. We received no response.

7. The parties have been unable to resolve the foregoing discovery dispute, and for the reasons discussed in the accompanying Tompkins Affirmation, Defendant STARBUCKS respectfully requests that the instant motion be granted in its entirety.

Dated: New York, New York December 12, 2007

George N. Tompkins, III

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STATE OF NEW YORK)

COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

MARGARET ELLIOTT, being duly sworn, deposes and says: that deponent is not a party to this action, is over 18 years of age and resides in Nassau County;

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By FedEx Overnight Mail

Kenneth S. Fink, Esq. CHERIFF & FINK, P.C. Attorney for Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE 2 Rector Street, Suite 2104 New York, New York 10006

at the address(es) designated by said attorney(s) for that purpose by depositing a true copy of same enclosed in a FedEx Express envelope.

MARGARET ELLIOTT

Sworn to before me this

12th day of December, 2007

Notary Public

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Qualified in New York County Commission Expires June 20,2009 SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK

JOSEPH IOVANE,

Plaintiff,

-against-

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY and STARBUCKS CORPORATION,

Defendant.

AFFIRMATION OF GOOD FAITH

WILSON, ELSER, MOSKOWITZ, EDELMAN & DICKER LLP Attorneys for Defendant, STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY

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JOSEPH IOVANE,

Plaintiff,

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- against -

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY and STARBUCKS CORPORATION,

Defendant.

MEMORANDUM OF LAW IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANT STARBUCKS MOTION TO COMPEL

George N. Tompkins, III
WILSON, ELSER, MOSKOWITZ,
EDELMAN & DICKER LLP
Attorneys for Defendant
STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a
STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

Defendant STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY (hereinafter "STARBUCKS") respectfully submits the following Memorandum of Law in support of its Motion, pursuant to CPLR § 3017(c), compelling plaintiff Joseph Iovane to serve a response to STARBUCKS Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief setting forth the total damages to which he deems himself entitled.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The facts relevant to a disposition of this Motion are set forth in the Affirmation in Support of Motion to Compel of George N. Tompkins, III dated December 12, 2007 ("Tompkins Affirmation").

ARGUMENT

CPLR § 3017(c) permits a party against whom an action is brought to recover damages for personal injury to "request a supplemental demand setting forth the total damages to which the pleader deems himself entitled." CPLR § 3017. The plaintiff must supply the supplemental demand within fifteen days. *Id.* "In the event the supplemental demand is not served within fifteen days, the court, on motion, may order that it be served." CPLR § 3017(c); *see also* 2 J. Weinstein, H. Korn & A. Miller, New York Civil Practice § 3017.13 (2005) ("A supplemental demand must be served within 15 days of any request. Thereafter, the party requesting it may move for a court order that the supplemental demand be served.").

On May 16, 2007, STARBUCKS served plaintiff with a Request for Supplemental

Demand for Relief, pursuant to CPLR § 3017(c), requesting that plaintiff serve a Supplemental

Demand for Relief setting forth the total damages to which he deems himself entitled. A copy of

the Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief is attached as Exhibit "C" to the Tompkins Affirmation. Plaintiff did not respond to this demand. A request by telephone in which plaintiff's counsel advised that the response was forthcoming and a follow-up letter, as detailed in the Tompkins Affirmation, still have not resulted in any response to STARBUCKS Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief being served.

Accordingly, as plaintiff has failed to timely respond to the Request for Supplemental Demand for Relief, STARBUCKS is entitled to an Order compelling plaintiff to serve his Supplemental Demand for Relief pursuant to CPLR 3017(c).

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, STARBUCKS respectfully requests that the Court enter an Order compelling Plaintiff to serve his Supplemental Demand for Relief and for any other relief that the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: New York, New York December 12, 2007

Yours, etc.,

WILSON, ELSER, MOSKOWITZ, EDELMAN & DICKER LLP

George N. Tompkins, III

150 East 42nd Street

New York, New York 10017-5639

Attorneys for Defendant

STARBUCKS CORPORATION d/b/a

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY

Kenneth Fink, Esq. To: CHERIFF & FINK, P.C. 2 Rector Street - Suite 2104 New York, New York 10006 Attorneys for Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE

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MARGARET ELLIOTT

Sworn to before me this

124 day of December, 2007

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EXHIBIT "G"

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF NEW YORK

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Plaintiff,

- against -

JOSEPH IOVANE,

RESPONSE TO SUPPLEMENTAL DEMAND FOR RELIEF

STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY, and STARBUCKS CORPORATION,

Defendants.

Plaintiff JOSEPH IOVANE, by his attorneys, Cheriff & Fink, P.C., as and for his Response to

Defendant's Supplemental Demand for Relief, respectfully states as follows:

1. Plaintiff, as a result of the Accident, sustained total damages in the amount of one million dollars

(\$1,000,000.00).

Plaintiff reserves the right to supplement his responses up to and including the time of trial.

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Dated:

New York, New York December 19, 2007

CHERIFF & FINK, P.C.

By: Kenneth'S/Fink Attorneys for Plaintiff JOSEPH JOVANE

2 Rector Street – Suite 2104 New York, New York 10006-1893 (212) 285-4100

TO: Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP
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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK

JOSEPH IOVANE,

Plaintiff,

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STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY, and STARBUCKS CORPORATION,

Defendants.

RESPONSE TO DEMAND FOR SUPPLEMENTAL RELIEF CHERIFF & FINK, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff

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